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GAS PRICES

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A new survey finds the average price of regular gasoline in the United States has gone up 3.86 cents in the last three weeks. The Lundberg Survey of fuel prices released Sunday says the price of a gallon of regular rose to \$2.77. Analyst Trilby Lundberg says the average price for a gallon of mid-grade was \$2.91, and premium was at \$3.02. Jackson, Miss., had the lowest average price among cities surveyed at \$2.54 a gallon for regular. San Francisco was highest among surveyed cities at \$3.21. In California, the average price for a gallon of regular was \$3.13. Bakersfield had the state's least expensive gas at \$3.06 a gallon.

NEW GEL COULD HEAL WOUNDS FIVE TIME FASTER

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The gel used to treat McPherson was developed by a team led by David Becker, a professor of cell and developmental biology at University College London . The gel, named Nexagon, works by interrupting how cells communicate and prevents the production of a protein that blocks healing. That allows cells to move faster to the wound to begin healing it. Though it has only been tested on about 100 people so far, experts say if it proves successful, the gel could have a major impact on treating chronic wounds, like leg or diabetes ulcers, and even common scrapes or injuries from accidents.

IMMUNE SYSTEM GENE LINKED WITH PARKINSON'S: STUDY

VO:21

A gene linked with the immune system may play a role in developing Parkinson's disease, researchers said on Sunday, marking a possible advance in the search for effective treatments. They said a gene in the human leukocyte antigen region or HLA -- which contains a large number of genes related to immune system function -- was strongly linked with Parkinson's disease.

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MORTGAGE GIANTS - GOV'T TALKS

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It won't happen any time soon, but a conference Tuesday at the Treasury Department is the first of many steps toward restructuring the nearly \$11 trillion mortgage market. It's part of a growing conversation about shrinking the government's involvement in the mortgage market. So far, rescuing mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac has cost the government more than \$148 billion and counting. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner will address the conference but is not expected to offer an exit strategy. The administration has said it won't offer its plan until next year. Executives and mortgage experts are prepared to tell the Obama administration that the government must stay in the business of backing U.S. mortgages even if Fannie and Freddie disappear someday.

AP- UNIVISION POLL

VO: 34

An Associated Press-Univision poll of more than 1,500 Latinos finds that Hispanic immigrants, many of whom faced huge problems in their homelands, have more idealized views of the United States than Hispanics who were born in America do. It's an oft-told story in U.S. history, one of immigrants drawn to the land of opportunity and happy with the contrast to their old life. But it's also one of ethnic groups that settle in only to confront social and economic hurdles that persist from one generation to the next. The poll, also sponsored by The Nielsen Co. and Stanford University, turned up stark differences between the hopes of immigrant parents and U.S.-born Hispanics for their children. It turns out that those born abroad hold higher hopes even though they worry more than U.S. born Hispanics about jobs, bills, college savings and other expenses, the poll finds.

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GULF OIL SPILL

VO: 27

Marine researchers are disputing government claims that half the leaked oil is completely gone from the Gulf ecosystem. Scientists at the University of South Florida say they've found evidence of microscopic amounts of oil mixing into the soil of a critical undersea canyon off the Florida Panhandle and poisoned plankton. Plankton serves as the base of the food chain.

OK BULLYING PROGRAM**VO: 23**

Students across the state of Oklahoma are taking a pledge to stop bullying. The death of 11-year old Ty Field of Perkins, Oklahoma is bringing new attention to school bullies. The students are taking the pledge to stand-up for the silent and to stop bullying. Ty's dad, Kirk Smalley says bullies are the reason his son shot and killed himself this year. Smalley says he has to make a difference. He wants to stop this from happening to another child. Students are selling bracelets, signing pledge cards and promising to stand up for the silent.

US BORDER PORTS**VO: 29**

The federal government is expanding a multi-agency policing program at the U.S.-Mexico border to improve security at the nation's sea ports. John Morton, the director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, made the announcement Tuesday at the annual meeting of the program, called the Border Enforcement Security Task Force. Morton says the program has been successful in bringing about 6,400 cases involving drugs, arms and immigrant smuggling along the border. He says it started five years ago in Laredo, Texas, and has expanded to 17 border locations. The program will be started at ports along the Gulf Coast, in Seattle and Albuquerque, N.M. Under the program, federal police agencies such as the Coast Guard, Border Patrol and ICE and others work together on cases.

HEALTHY EATING HELPS REVERSE METABOLIC SYNDROME**VO: 16**

People with metabolic syndrome a cluster of risk factors for heart disease, stroke and type 2 diabetes have a better chance of reversing it if they stick to a healthy diet, a new study shows. While it seems obvious that eating healthy would make you healthier, the findings are important because they show it's a person's dietary pattern, not just individual components of their diet, that matters, Dr. Alice Lichtenstein, an expert on diet and heart health

from Tufts University in Boston, who was not involved in the new study, told Reuters Health.

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US BORDER BRIDGES

VO: 25

On each side of a towering West Texas stretch of the \$2.4 billion border fence designed to block people from illegally entering the country, there are two metal footbridges, clear paths into the United States from Mexico. The footpaths that could easily guide illegal immigrants and smugglers across the Rio Grande without getting wet seem to be there because of what amounts to federal linguistics. While just about anyone would call them bridges, the U.S.-Mexico group that owns them calls them something else.

TX COST OF IMMIGRATION

VO: 20

Cash-strapped state lawmakers heard testimony indicating that the state and Texas communities are spending hundreds of millions of dollars a year on social services for undocumented immigrants.

OBESITY TOP THREAT TO CHILDREN'S HEALTH

VO: 21

Adults consider obesity the number one threat to children's health in the United States and many believe the problem is getting worse, according to a new poll. Almost 40 percent of adults cited obesity was the biggest threat to youngsters and teenagers, followed by drug abuse, smoking, Internet safety and stress.

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US IMMIGRATION CRIMES

VO: 20

Nearly a third of criminal immigrants removed from the U.S. last year had committed crimes involving "dangerous drugs," statistics released by the Homeland Security Department show. Dangerous drug crimes include manufacturing, distribution, sale and possession of illegal drugs, the department said. Of the 128,345 criminal immigrants removed from the country, 37,993, or 29.6 percent, were deported for dangerous drugs, according to the department.

PAINKILLER USE LINKED TO STROKE RISK

VO: 22

Common painkillers that have been linked to an increased risk of heart attack may also elevate risk of stroke, a new study suggests. Researchers found that among nearly 38,000 Taiwanese adults who suffered a stroke over one year, the use of a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) in the prior month may have elevated their stroke risk.

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CREDIT CARD NEW RULES

VO:28

The final set of provisions designed to protect consumers from credit card abuses kicked in over the weekend. The new rules are designed to limit how much you're charged in late fees and prevent credit card companies from raising interest rates without justification. And there might even be a chance your interest rate could go down.

IMMIGRATION ATTACKS ARCHBISHOP

VO: 24

Archbishop Timothy Dolan told parishioners during Mass on Sunday that he was saddened by a spate of suspected anti-Hispanic attacks on Staten Island that has left some Latin American immigrants fearing for their safety.

HEALTHCARE REFORM POLL

VO: 20

A Thomson Reuters poll of consumer confidence released today shows Americans' confidence in their ability to pay for and access healthcare has fallen by 5 percent since December 2009. The Thomson Reuters Consumer Healthcare Sentiment Index, based on a monthly survey of

3,000 consumers, asks if they have had trouble paying for or had to postpone care in the three months prior. And it asks if they expect to in the coming three months.

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US BORDER TUNNEL DISCOVERY

VO: 24

Another border tunnel has been found on Arizona's border with Mexico. U.S. Border Patrol agents working in cooperation with local and federal law enforcement agencies found a tunnel Friday in Nogales, under the southbound lane at the DeConcini Port of Entry. The weight of a passenger bus caused a collapse in the road. Border Patrol agents, with assistance from Mexican law enforcement, discovered an unfinished tunnel originating in Mexico. From Oct. 1, 2009, to July 31, 2010, five tunnels were identified within the Tucson Sector. During the same period last year, 20 tunnels were discovered.

BORDER DEATHS IN ARIZONA MAY BREAK RECORD

VO: 26

This year, Arizona became known as the state with the toughest policies against illegal immigration. That's why Deputy Chief Medical Examiner Eric Peters didn't think the Pima County coroner would see a surge in migrants killed while trying to cross Arizona's southern deserts. But despite beefed-up efforts to stem illegal immigration and an economy that makes work harder to come by, migrants are still trying to get into the country. And many are dying. In 2007, a record 218 bodies were found in Pima County. This year, the death toll could be worse. Already, authorities have recovered the remains of 170 migrants.

HOME SALES

VO: 19

A report on existing home sales due out today isn't expected to bring any good news. The report from the National Association of Realtors is expected to show as much as a 26 percent drop from a month earlier to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.95 million. That would be the worst month for sales in more than

a decade.

WHITE HOUSE MAKES HEALTH REFORM CASE TO DOCTORS

VO: 21

President Barack Obama's administration asked U.S. doctors Monday to get on board with health reform legislation passed in March, saying those who embrace change will prosper. Administration officials said the new law will provide doctors with information technology and incentives to improve the care they deliver, but only if they cooperate.

MANY DRUGS FOR U.S. KIDS TESTED IN POOR COUNTRIES

VO: 17

A law intended to speed up development of new drugs for U.S. kids has ended up financing clinical trials in poor countries, where the medicines might never become available. That's the conclusion of a new report whose authors say the situation raises ethical concerns.

TRYING TO LOSE WEIGHT? DRINK MORE WATER

VO: 28

A new study suggests that an effective weight-loss aid is available straight from your kitchen sink. Drinking two 8-ounce glasses of water before breakfast, lunch, and dinner while also cutting back on portions may help you lose weight and keep it off for at least a year, according to research presented today at the annual meeting of the American Chemical Society, in Boston. "As part of a prudent, low-calorie weight-loss diet, adding water may help with weight-loss success," says Brenda Davy, Ph.D., the lead author of the study and an associate professor of nutrition at Virginia Tech, in Blacksburg.

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POLL-EDUCATION

VO: 23

A new Gallup Poll has found fewer Americans approve of the job President Barack Obama is doing in support of public education. But they continue to have a highly favorable opinion of their local schools. Gallup says the drop in the president's education approval ratings mirrors the drop in his general

approval rating in other recent polls. The random telephone poll released Wednesday found 34 percent gave the president a grade of A or B for his work in support of public schools, compared to 45 percent at the same time in 2009. They gave even worse grades for the quality of the nation's schools, but said they approve of their local schools.

MEDICARE DRUG PLANS

VO: 25

An independent analysis says 3 million seniors may have to switch Medicare drug plans next year whether they like it or not. The reason: a new effort by Medicare to try to make it simpler for consumers to pick prescription coverage. It could be an unwelcome surprise for seniors who hadn't intended to make a change during Medicare's open enrollment season this fall. And it risks undercutting President Barack Obama's promise that people can keep their health plans if they like them. The analysis by leading researchers at Avalere Health estimated that more than 3 million seniors will see their prescription plans eliminated as part of Medicare's effort to winnow down duplicative coverage and offer consumers meaningful choices.

FDA TO GIVE RESTAURANTS MORE TIME ON CALORIE COUNTS

VO: 20

U.S. health regulators plan to give restaurant companies more time to comply with new rules that require clear calorie and nutritional information on menus. Under the healthcare law passed in March, restaurants must clearly post calories and other nutrition details on their menus.

STUDY LINKS PESTICIDES TO ATTENTION PROBLEMS

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Children whose mothers were exposed to certain types of pesticides while pregnant were more likely to have attention problems as they grew up, U.S. Researchers reported on Thursday. The study, published in Environmental Health Perspectives, adds to evidence that organophosphate pesticides can affect the human brain.

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US SEA SMUGGLING

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the Pacific Ocean," agent Tim Feige nutes before sunrise marks the end to another uneventful shift. This is a new frontier for illegal immigrants entering the United States a roughly 400-square-mile ocean expanse that stretches from Tijuana, Mexico, to Los Angeles. In growing numbers, migrants are gambling their lives at sea as land crossings become even more arduous and likely to end in arrest

SCIENTISTS CREATE LIVER CELLS FROM PATIENTS' SKIN**VO: 15**

Scientists have created liver cells in a lab for the first time using reprogrammed cells from human skin, paving the way for the potential development of new treatments for liver diseases that kill thousands each year. Cambridge University scientists who reported their results in the Journal of Clinical Investigation on Wednesday, said they also found a way of avoiding the kind of intense political and ethical rows over embryonic stem cells which are currently hampering work in the United States.

EVEN WHEN PROSTATE CANCER RETURNS, MOST SURVIVE**VO:20**

Men who show signs that their disease has returned after prostate cancer treatment are still more likely to die of other causes, a new study in US veterans shows. Nevertheless, researchers say the study underscores the need to find a better way to identify the minority of men who will die of prostate cancer after disease recurrence. Scientists use synthetic corneas to restore vision.

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US ECONOMY**VO: 26**

The economy turns out to be weaker than we thought, and the outlook for the rest of the year is now looking dimmer. New figures issued Friday show the economy struggled this spring, growing at a meager 1.6 percent annual pace. The initial estimate was 2.4 percent, and even that was anemic. Analysts say the summer should be disappointing, too. Shortly after the government's revision, Federal Reserve chief Ben Bernanke said the Fed

was ready to take additional steps to prevent a second recession, if the economy deteriorates further. But he stopped short of promising any action.

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NATIONAL GUARD TO ARRIVE AT ARIZONA-MEXICO

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About 30 Army National Guard soldiers were scheduled to arrive at the Arizona-Mexico border this week in the first wave of reinforcements sent by the Obama administration to bolster security.

More soldiers will be sent each Monday until 532 have joined the mission.

OBAMA ON IRAQ TOMORROW

VO :34

The Middle East will consume much of President Barack Obama's time this week. Obama is about to formally end the divisive U.S. combat role in Iraq and restart talks between the Israelis and Palestinians. Obama will tell the nation Tuesday night from the Oval Office that the U.S. role in Iraq has changed for good, with the remaining U.S. troops to play a supporting role to Iraqi forces.

The following day, Obama will make his largest investment of political capital to date in the difficult Mideast peace process. He will welcome Israeli's prime minister and the Palestinian president to the White House for individual talks and a joint dinner. Direct negotiations between the leaders begin Thursday.

IRAQ-US RECONSTRUCTION LEGACY

VO :24

According to audits from a U.S. watchdog agency, more than \$5 billion has been wasted on abandoned or incomplete projects in Iraq. That includes a \$100 million wastewater treatment system in

Fallujah that cost three times more than projected, yet sewage still runs through the streets. The U.S. spent more than \$53 billion on reconstruction in Iraq since 2003 and there are many success stories. Hundreds of police stations, border forts and government buildings have been built. A deepwater port at the southern oil hub of Umm Qasr has been restored. But according to an Associated Press review of hundreds of audits and

investigations and visits to several sites, most completed projects fell short of their goals. According to the new head of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, more than 4,800 projects have been completed.

SOCIAL NETWORKS, MORE AND MORE POPULAR AMONG OLDER THAN 50 YEARS IN U.S.

VO : 20

Social networks, a paradise for young people, are becoming increasingly popular among people over 50 years in the United States, a study by the Pew Research Center released Friday. Nearly half of Internet users in the United States between 50 and 65 years were enrolled in online communities like Facebook, MySpace or Twitter during the rolling year culminated on 30 May, representing an increase of 88 percent over the previous year, says the study.

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POT MAY PROVIDE SOME CHRONIC PAIN RELIEF: STUDY

VO: 23

In a small study, people who had chronic pain as a result of damage to the nervous system reported feeling less pain, as well as less depression and anxiety, when they smoked marijuana compared to when they smoked a drug-free placebo. The pain reduction was "modest" - less than 1 point on an 11-point scale for the strongest marijuana - and patients reported no overall difference in their quality of life based on what they smoked.

TROOPS RETURN HOME FROM IRAK MICHAEL HAMMER / WASHINGTON, DC INTERVIEW 4:00 APPROX.

**JOHN NEGROPONTE/ WASHINGTON, DC
INTERVIEW 4:00 APPROX.**

Michael Hammer talks about the straddling war and peace, President Barack Obama is about to formally end the divisive U.S. combat role in Iraq and restart talks between Israelis and Palestinians, a moment defined more by relief and hope than triumph. On Tuesday night, Obama will tell the nation from the Oval Office that the U.S. role in Iraq has changed for good, with the remaining U.S. troops to play a supporting role to Iraqi forces. It will be a milestone with no celebration or banners in a still unresolved war,

one that wages on years longer and at greater cost than most Americans ever imagined.

**PREVIEW TO ENDING OF WAR W/IRAQ
LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, DC**

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**TIPS FOR SUCCESS AFTER THE FIRST WEEKS OF SCHOOL
LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

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This package gives tips to parents of schoolchildren on how to keep them motivated in school after the first weeks of classes have started and passed. The reporter interviews mothers that have found different ways of helping their children succeed in their classes.

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